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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6376 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 25, 2005

BILL NUMBER: SB 164 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Sex Offender Registration.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Drozda BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill requires a person convicted of possession of child pornography who has a prior conviction for possession of child pornography to register as a sex offender.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Requiring offenders convicted of possessing child pornography to also register as sex offenders may affect the workload of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. The Criminal Justice Institute maintains the sex offender registry. The number of persons convicted of a second unrelated possession of child pornography is not known.

Before July 1, 2002, possession of child pornography was a Class A misdemeanor. It is now a Class D felony. In FY 2003, eight persons were committed to the Department of Correction for possession of child pornography, while in FY 2004 seven persons were committed.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Criminal Justice Institute.

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Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Department of Correction.

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